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In re Application of:

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Docket No.: 55463/101/103

Assistant Commissioner for Patents and Trademarks
Washington, D.C. 20231

Sir:

AMENDMENT

This Amendment is responsive to the Office Action mailed on November 22, 1996. Please amend the above-identified application as follows:

In the Abstract

Lines 2 and 3, delete "is disclosed in a first embodiment. In a second embodiment, the sensor element of the first embodiment is".

In the Specification

Page 1, line 5, after "application", insert -- is a continuation of Serial No. 08/327,979, filed October 24, 1994, now U.S. Patent No. 5,553,486, which--.

Page 1, line 7, after "October 1, 1993", insert --, now abandoned--

Page 13, line 3, after "probe 50", insert --The force controller 64

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